

To continue cooperation

Kingdom, Yemen reach accord

JEDDAH, April 14 (SPA) — Saudi Arabia and Yemen Arab Republic agreed to maintain their level of cooperation and coordinate policies in every field to preserve the peace and stability of the Arabian Peninsula and keep it outside the international rivalries.

These objectives were affirmed in a joint communiqué issued at the end of meetings of the Saudi-Arabian-Yemeni Coordination Council which reviewed economic and political cooperation. The council meets periodically here and in Yemen. The Saudi Arabian side was led by Defense Minister Prince Sultan and included several ministers while the Yemeni side was led by Foreign Minister Ali Lutf Al Thawr who was accompanied by ministers and senior aides.

The two countries also agreed to work closely in the interest of their peoples and develop their potentialities.

Politically, they affirmed their policy of warding off foreign interference, western or eastern, and to adhere to the tenets of Islam and maintain their Arabic character and belonging.

"The security of the states of the Peninsula," they said "is the sole responsibility of the states themselves." They will not allow any attempts by anybody to interfere in its peace, independence or territorial integrity by imposing influence and hegemony, they said.

The two delegations showed an identity of views regarding international issues and they

reviewed with satisfaction the bilateral relations and the constant growth in cooperation. They reviewed the Saudi Arabian support to Yemen and studied fresh proposals for economic and development assistance.

While the Saudi Arabian government agreed to maintain and increase its development aid, it also offered to maintain its budgetary support to Yemen by SR345 million a year.

Following are details of project aid: In education, the Kingdom has already completed 55 projects of various kinds and has agreed to build three new secondary schools and increase the number of teachers it provides the country by 150 to 1,222 in addition to 266 Saudi Arabian educators. The Kingdom pays the salaries of both categories. Teachers training institutes will also be built in the country.

In health care, the Kingdom has completed 12 projects including hospitals, and will build five more.

It will build ten more mosques in addition to the 24 already completed and 17 extensively repaired.

Fifty new artesian wells will be dug and equipped in addition to 39 already handed over to the government.

The Kingdom has agreed to develop and expand the present airport of Sanaa, the capital and to provide it with modern equipment while it supplies additional equipment to the airports of Taiz and Hodeidah.

The Saudi Development Fund and the agricultural ministries of both countries will study the feasibility of a rural development plan for Jourf region to the tune of SR127 million as requested by the Yemeni side. The Kingdom will also complete the remaining part of the Sanaa ring road and continue to build the roads already marked in previous agreements.

Other aid projects include building a law institute and several courts, completing the microwave link between Taiz and Hodeidah and increasing the fertilizer subsidy to 20,000 tons a year, and building the offices of the Yemen news agency.

Asir seminar opened

JEDDAH, April 14 — Asir Governor Prince Khaled Al Faisal opened the fifth seminar of the Saudi Arabian Biological Sciences Society Tuesday. The seminar, held at the Abha Education College, will last four days.

More than 110 research papers will be presented at the seminar. They will cover botany, zoology, environment and microscopic creatures and other subjects. The seminar will present studies about the camel for the first time.

Riyadh University Rector Dr. Mansour Ibrahim Al-Turki and Abha College Dean Dr. Majeed Ibrahim Al-Majeed attended the opening ceremony together with 250 scientists who are participating in the seminar.



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OIC condemns Israeli attacks on Lebanon

JEDDAH, April 14 (SPA) — The Organization of Islamic Conference denounced the continued Israeli attacks on Lebanon and the Zionist designs on that country which take the form of open interference in its affairs. The Secretary General Habib Chatti, said the OIC would like to remind the world of the resolutions of the Taif Islamic summit conference which uphold the independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity of Lebanon. It also called on the various Lebanese parties to settle their differences and restore normal life to it.

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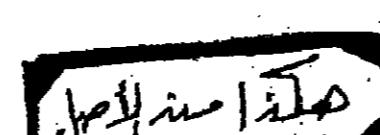
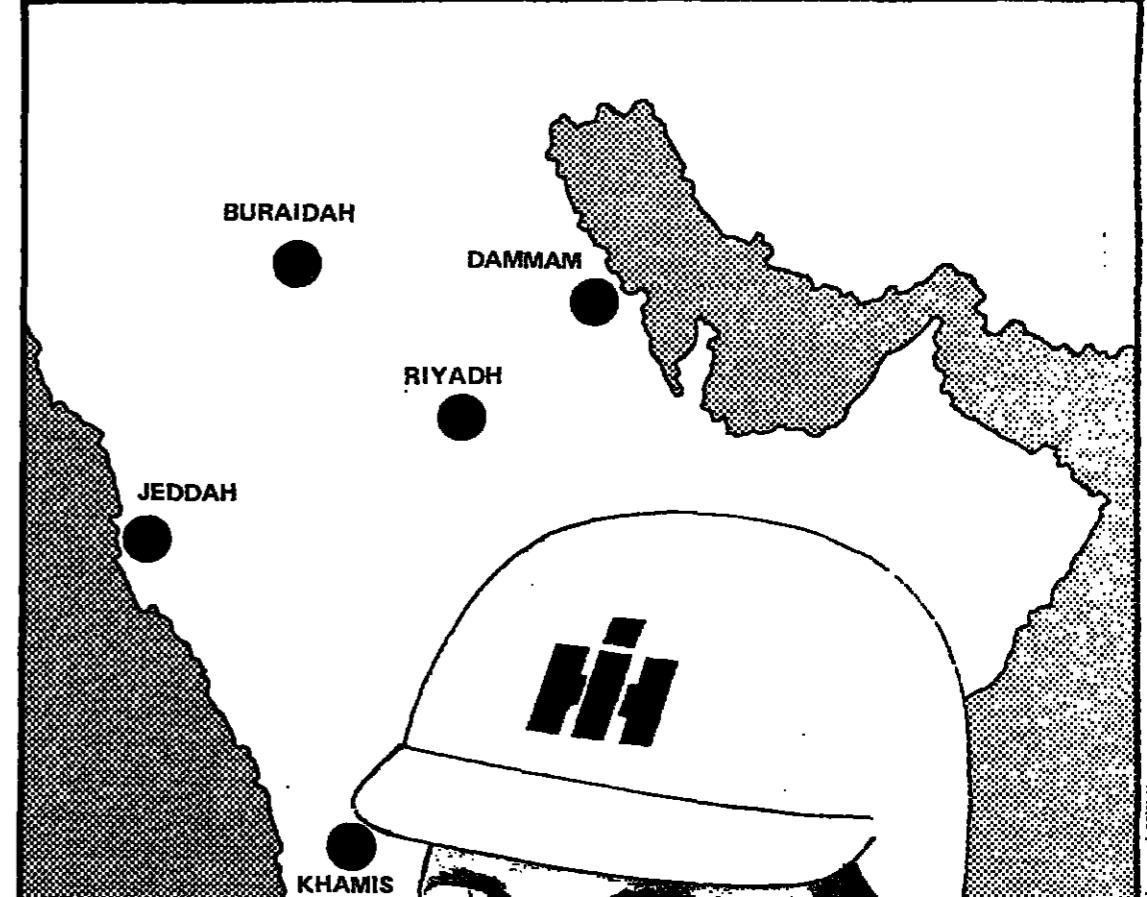
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Gulf marine panel to be formed shortly

By Ayman Zahid

JEDDAH, April 14 — A regional organization for the protection of the Arabian Gulf marine environment will be announced officially next week.

An agreement to establish the organization, proposed by the U.N. Environment Program (UNEP), was signed in Jeddah in January, 1980, by Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Bahrain, Iraq, Oman, Qatar, the United Arab Emirates and Iran.

The board of the organization will meet in Jeddah Monday, and will be attended by an, according to Meteorology and Environment Protection Agency officials here.

Dr. Abdul Bar Al-Gain, MEPA vice-chairman, told Arab News Tuesday that the board's meeting will be preceded by a meeting of experts and another preparatory one. Eight Gulf states will contribute \$60 million to implement the marine environment protection program, Gain said.

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MEETING: Prince Badr ibn Abdul Aziz, deputy commander of the National Guard meets Monday with Canada's Minister of Foreign Trade Edward Lamly who is visiting the country.

Offending merchants fined

RIYADH, April 14 (SPA) — Interior Minister Prince Naif Tuesday ordered the punishment of five merchants for breaking the supply regulations. The decision was based on a report by Commerce Minister Dr. Soltan, Soltan.

The decision included fines of SR 2,000 each imposed on three merchants from Riyadh and Taif for not placing price tags on their merchandise. Sulaiman Muhammad

Sulaiman Al-Badr, Hassan Yahya Al-Faqihi of Riyadh, and Dawood Muhammad Kashgari from Taif were ordered to publish the verdicts in local newspapers at their expense.

Muhammad Abdul Rahman Al-Driss from Riyadh and Muhammad Kurban Kashgari from Taif were also fined SR 1,000 each for not putting price tags on some of the goods displayed in their stores. They will also publish the Interior Ministry decision at their expense.

BRIEFS

Jazaeri, opened a meeting of regional health directors in the Kingdom Tuesday. The meeting discussed amalgamation of curative and preventive medicine services and evaluation of vaccination and medical surveys.

DAMMAM, April 14 (SPA) — The number of primary, intermediate and secondary schools in the Eastern Province reached 214 in the current academic year. There are 2,225 classes in these schools, according to Nasser Al-Musained, Eastern Province education director general, Tuesday.

RIYADH, April 14 (SPA) — The Republic of China statistical department director, Tseng Heng, will arrive in Riyadh Saturday on a four-day visit to the Kingdom. The Chinese official will hold talks with Ali Al-Rashed, director of the general statistical department, on cooperation and exchange of information.

JEDDAH, April 14 (SPA) — The Finnish deputy foreign minister, Paavo Ranpanen, and his delegation left here for home Tuesday after attending meetings of the Saudi Arabian-Finnish Joint Commission. The meetings centered on promoting technical and economic cooperation between the Kingdom and Finland.

RIYADH, April 14 (SPA) — Deputy Health Minister Dr. Hamad Al-Sughair, on behalf of Health Minister Dr. Hussain Al-

Between India, Pakistan Saud urges common strategy

NEW DELHI, April 14 (AFP) — Visiting Saudi Arabian Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal Tuesday called for a common strategy by India and Pakistan towards elimination of tension from their area.

Answering questions at a press conference here at the end of a three-day official visit, he said the Middle East and Southwest Asia were regions of tension due to the arms flow and military presence of super-powers.

Saudi Arabia felt these tensions could be avoided if the countries of the region put up a joint front against foreign military presence and the flow of super-power arms.

Asked his views on the U.S. decision to supply arms to Pakistan, Prince Saud said it was a result of the continuous build-up of tension and the flow of arms to various parts of the region.

As for reported Pakistani plans to manufacture a nuclear bomb, he said the Pakistani government had denied this and Saudi Arabia accepted the denial.

The minister also denied that his country had accepted two Pakistani army divisions and said Saudi Arabia only cooperated with Pakistan in military training. He also refuted suggestions that U.S. arms to Pakistan were being paid for by Saudi Arabia.

Indian officials had conveyed to Prince Saud during talks here India's concern over reports that Pakistan was buying U.S. arms through funds provided by Saudi Arabia.

On his talks with Foreign Minister Rao, Prince Saud noted that they were extensive and said he found a community of interests in many subjects and in many areas.

Other topics covered in his talks here included the Palestinian problem and the Iran-Iraq war.

Traffic week coming

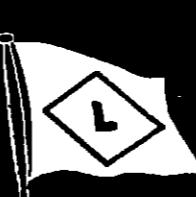
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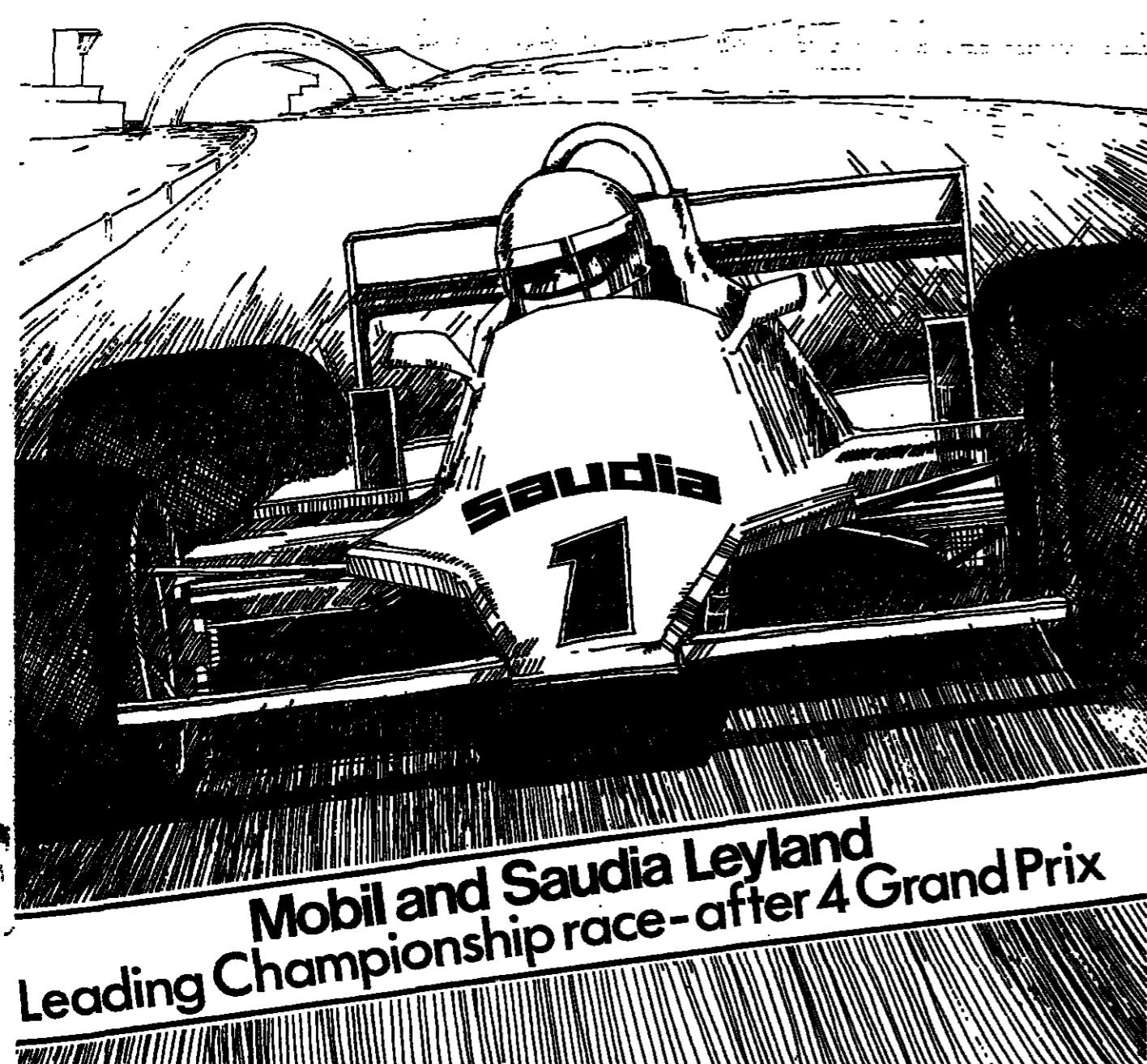
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To discuss Europe's role

Klaauw, Arafat talks planned for Friday

THE HAGUE, April 14 (AP) — Dutch Foreign Minister Christopher Van Der Klaauw plans to meet Yasser Arafat in Damas on Friday to discuss a possible European role in achieving a comprehensive Middle East peace.

A foreign ministry spokesman said Tuesday that Van Der Klaauw, now chairman of the European council of foreign ministers, will meet Lebanese leaders in Beirut before traveling to Syria to see the Palestine Liberation Organization leader. The minister also has scheduled a visit with United Nations peacekeeping forces, including Dutch troops.

Cyprus minister seeks Kuwait aid

KUWAIT, April 14 (AP) — Cypriot Foreign Minister Nicholas Rolandis arrived in Kuwait Monday on a three-day official visit. Rolandis is to hold talks here with senior officials on bilateral relations and prospects of fresh Kuwaiti economic aid to Cyprus. Rolandis who flew to Kuwait from Bahrain is also due to meet with Emir Sheikh Jaber

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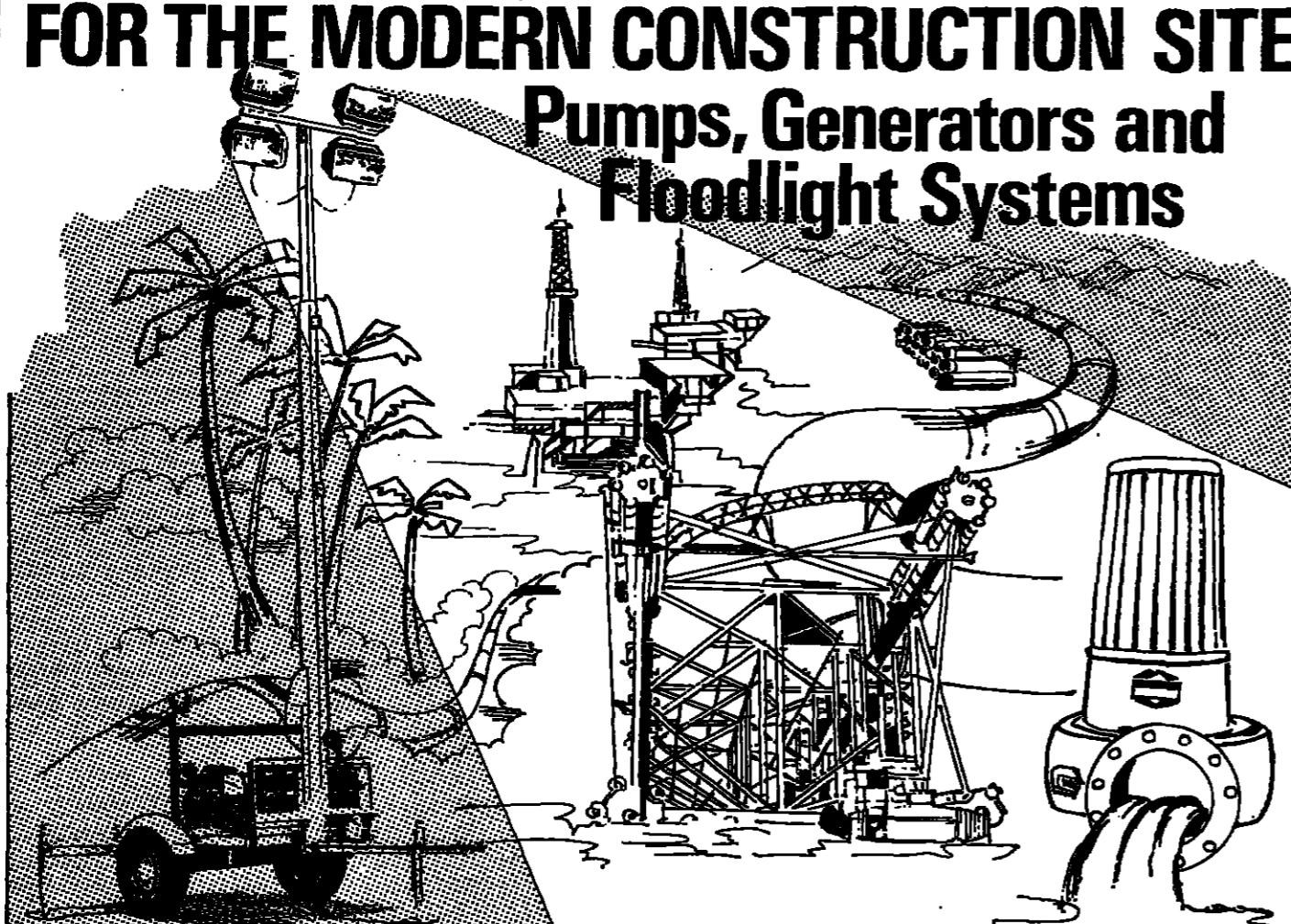
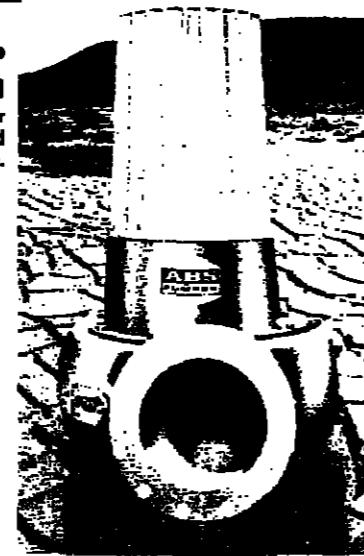
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Arab news

Egypt probes corruption under Nasser

CAIRO, April 14 (R) — A parliamentary committee was set up Monday at the request of President Anwar Sadat to investigate allegations of corruption during the rule of former Egyptian leader Gamal Abdel Nasser made in a book written by Deputy Prime Minister Osman Ahmad Osman.

In his book entitled "My Experience," Osman, a wealthy builder, said he had built villas in the 1960s for former Egyptian leaders. He did not name the leaders. Each villa was built at a cost of \$8,600 dollars while the real cost exceeded \$143,000, he wrote.

Osman also said a former prime minister asked him to sell government land to a Kuwaiti company but he refused because the plot was part of a cultivated area which Egypt badly needed.

Palestinians' appeal rejected

TEL AVIV, April 14 (Agencies) — The Israeli supreme court Tuesday rejected an appeal filed by Palestinian editors, confined to house arrest in their West Bank towns last summer, to be allowed into Jerusalem each day to work.

Maamun Sayed, editor of *Al Ajer*, Akram Hanniveh of *Al Shaab* and Bashir Barghuti of the weekly magazine *Al Taqaa*, were confined to their homes in Ramallah and El Bireh August 7 last year on charges of belonging to the outlawed Palestinian "National Guidance Committee," which opposes Israel's Camp David peace agreement with Egypt. Most Palestinian mayors, trade union leaders and other leading community figures belong to the committee.

Their lawyer, Felicia Langer, told the court the military committee that passed judgement on the case had provided a "rubber-stamp for the West Bank military commander and

Army court summons Bhutto's son

PESHAWAR, April 14 (AP) — Martial law authorities announced Monday that Murtaza Bhutto, son of executed Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, and 12 others face possible 14-year-old jail terms, fines and loss of all property if they fail to appear in military court here April 27.

The 26-year-old Murtaza, believed living in Kabul, the Afghan capital, is a founder of the Al-Zulfikar organization which Pakistani authorities claimed hijacked a Pakistani jetliner to Afghanistan and Syria last month. The announcement said the 13 will be tried for "absconding," a charge arising from

Under Kuwait, UAE auspices

S. Yemen, Oman to continue talks

KUWAIT, April 14 (AP) — Kuwait's foreign minister, returning from a visit to South Yemen and Oman, said Tuesday he had discussed means of "foiling superpower rivalries" with the leaders of the Arabian peninsula states. The talks were inconclusive and the mediation efforts will continue, he added.

Hussein to visit U.S. next month

KUWAIT, April 14 (AFP) — King Hussein of Jordan will visit Washington in the first two weeks of next month for talks with President Ronald Reagan, the Kuwaiti newspaper *Al Anbaa* said Tuesday.

Citing a reliable Jordanian source, the newspaper said the king would visit the Gulf countries before heading for Washington, apparently to examine with Gulf leaders questions to be tackled at his talks with the U.S. president, notably those concerning the Middle East.

Accompanied by United Arab Emirates Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Rashid Abdullah, Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah met with South Yemeni President Ali Nasser Muhammad and Oman's Sultan Qaboos.

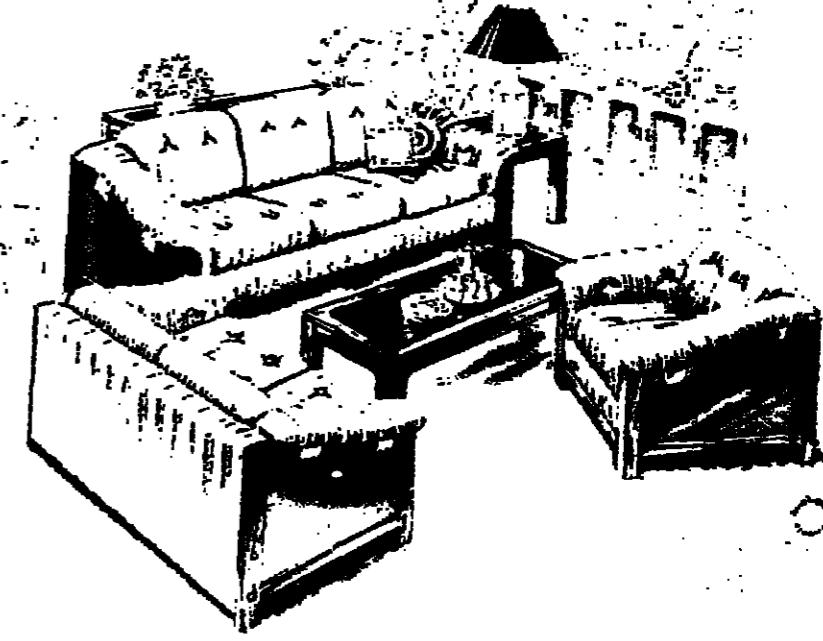
Oman and South Yemen, neighbors on the southern coast of the peninsula, have been feuding for more than 10 years, with South Yemen supporting the Popular Front for the

Liberation of Oman in Oman's western province. Kuwait is attempting to mediate their dispute, with a view to normalizing relations.

"We discussed the situation in the Gulf and the dangers besetting its security and stability with a view to removing these dangers and paving the way for the establishment of understanding between South Yemen and the Sultanate," said the Kuwaiti leader in a statement.

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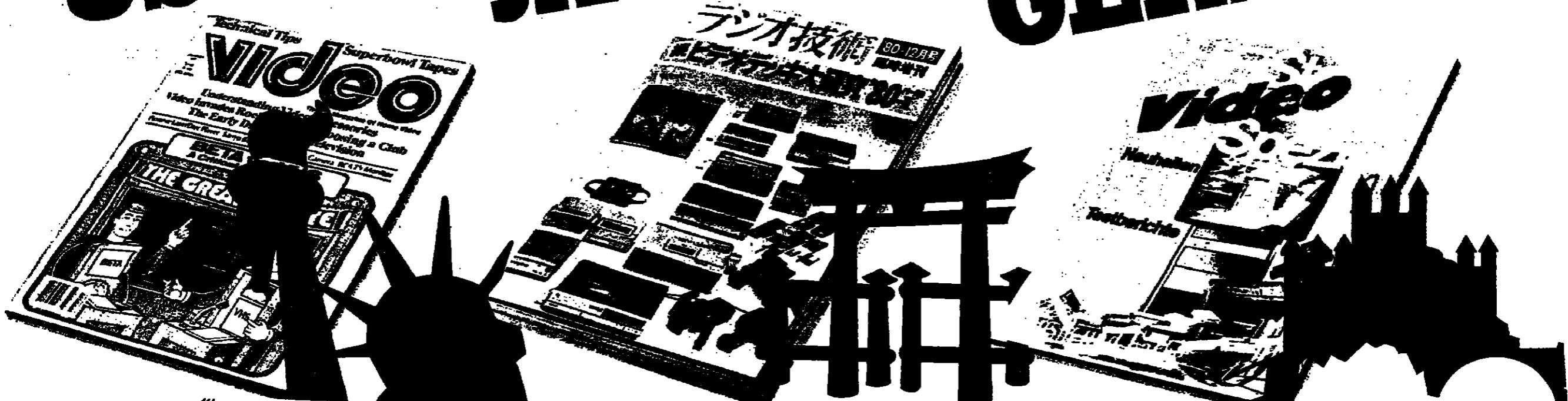
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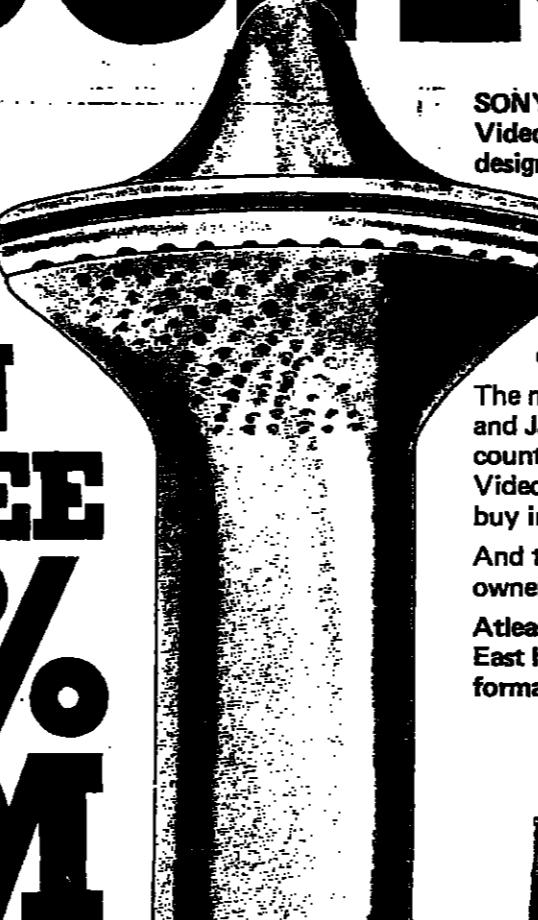
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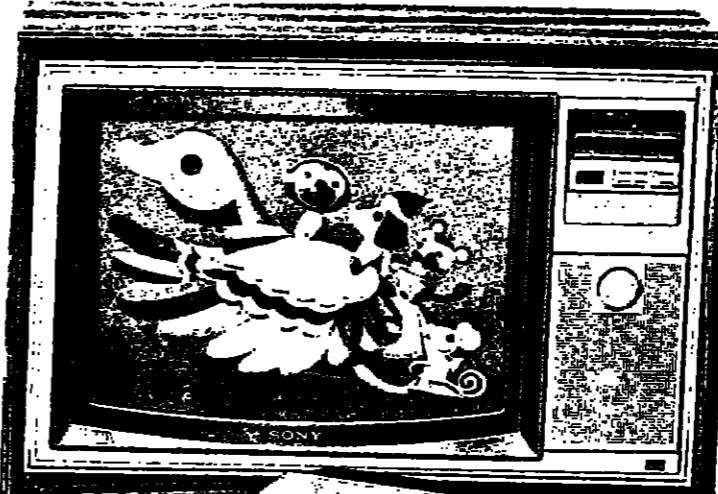
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IRAQ-U.S. RELATIONS

During his recent tour of the Middle East, U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig was reported keen to visit Baghdad to look into the matter of restoring diplomatic links between the two countries. There was no official confirmation of this, but it was very much an open secret. As it was, it was an aide of Haig who at last made contact with Iraqi officials, in what was described as an "exchange of views" over a wide range of issues.

Iraqi-U.S. relations were severed in the aftermath of the June 1967 war — a 14-year break. But this has not precluded commercial exchange between the two countries, while the interests of each have been looked after in the other's country by a friendly embassy.

There have been many reports previously of an imminent restoration of links, but the Iraqis have always explained that this would depend on the fulfillment of certain conditions. Yet recently, as Dr. Saadoun Hammadi, Iraq's foreign minister, visited London, he hinted that the "abnormal" relations between the two countries could be "normalized", that the two were independent states which could relate to each other despite disagreements.

In the recent past, the United States could and did pressure Iraq through support for the Shah's regime in Iran, at a time when that regime was aiding the Kurdish rebellion in Iraq led by Mulla Mustapha Barazani. That was one Iraqi's major grievances against the Americans. But that episode closed as the rebellion ended and the Shah's regime toppled, with Washington maintaining a neutral stance in the present struggle between Iraq and Iran. There are of course reports that the Americans have still strategic ambitions in Iran, and that these will have to be taken into account. But this, at present at least, is mere speculation.



Brezhnev, Schmidt to mull East-West ties

By Bradley Graham

BONN — Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev is expected to meet West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt in Bonn sometime this year, possibly before the summer, a Bonn government spokesman has said. The meeting, said to be at Brezhnev's initiative, was being interpreted by Bonn officials as a reflection of Moscow's determination to demonstrate its seriousness in revitalizing relations with the West. The Soviet leader is also reported to be considering a trip to Paris to see President Valery Giscard d'Estaing.

The likelihood and timing of the meetings depend largely on Polish developments, about which Bonn officials along with other Western governments have grown increasingly alarmed.

Visiting Moscow early this month, West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher failed to get assurances that the Soviet Union would not intervene in Poland. When he urged that the principle of moderation be observed toward Polish developments, the West German official received what one informed Bonn foreign ministry source described as "no substantial reply."

The Bonn government, which among Western nations has developed the most extensive economic and humanitarian ties with Soviet-led Eastern Europe, has supported Western warnings that a Soviet intervention in Poland would mean the end

to detente. In a notable toughening of his own public stance on Bonn's Eastern policy, Schmidt has joined President Reagan in saying the use of internal or external force to suppress the Polish people would result in a cutoff of economic aid to Poland.

But an early Schmidt-Brezhnev meeting would fit well into the West German leader's policy of promoting East-West contacts. When in February Brezhnev invited Reagan to a summit meeting, Schmidt was quick to urge the American president to accept. Kurt Becker, the Bonn spokesman, said that Brezhnev's expected Bonn visit should be seen apart from a possible U.S.-Soviet summit meeting, which American officials have indicated should not be expected this year.

Becker said discussions about possible dates for the Bonn meeting were still being held. Replying to questions, he said the possibility of a meeting before the start of the West German parliamentary summer break in late June depended on the two leaders' schedules. In any case, Schmidt is not expected to see Brezhnev until after the West German chancellor visits Reagan in Washington on May 20.

Brezhnev has come to Bonn twice — in 1973 and 1978 — since the signing in 1970 of a treaty between West Germany and the Soviet Union renouncing the use or threat of force and smoothing the way for Bonn to achieve more normal relations with other Eastern European states. Schmidt and Brezhnev last met in June 1980 in Moscow and Schmidt left an open invitation for the Soviet leader

to visit Bonn. The idea of a meeting this year is known to have been mentioned when Genscher saw Brezhnev early this month although Becker indicated the suggestion had been broached by Brezhnev earlier through "diplomatic channels." Becker said that last year Schmidt and Brezhnev had agreed to stay in close contact, particularly during periods of international tension.

If the two leaders meet, a key issue is expected to be resumption of U.S.-Soviet negotiations on limiting nuclear missiles in Europe — negotiations Schmidt was credited with helping to start by conveying an initial Soviet offer from Brezhnev to then-president Carter last year. A later preliminary month-long U.S.-Soviet negotiating session was adjourned in November. While the Reagan administration has affirmed its commitment to continue the talks, no date for their resumption has been set.

In an interview with the *Suddeutsche Zeitung*, Schmidt is quoted as saying he was sure the negotiations would be resumed "this summer or late summer."

The talks are regarded as essential by Western European governments, which face growing challenges to their defense modernization plans from groups opposed to nuclear weapons. "If there were no negotiations this year," Schmidt said, "it would just be more difficult to move forward at home, it would also lead to difficulties in relations with the government of the United States."

Saudi Arabian Press Review

Newspapers Tuesday led with a report on the opening of several projects in Jeddah by King Khaled Monday. They also gave prominence to the Honorary Doctorate conferred on the King by the King Abdul Aziz University of Jeddah, in appreciation of the monarch's services to Islam and Muslims.

Newspapers frontpaged Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal's visit to Bangladesh where he stressed the need for a solution to the problem of Afghanistan. The visit of the U.S. Senate delegation members, headed by Senator Howard Baker, was prominently covered on the front pages, while Baker was quoted as saying that the Palestine issue occupies the foremost concern of the Kingdom.

A front-page story, *Al Jazirah* and *Al Nadwa* reported that Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmed Al-Jaber, Kuwait's deputy premier and foreign minister, has taken an initiative to bring about rapprochement between South Yemen and Oman. *Al Nadwa* reported in a page one story, quoting Syrian Foreign Minister Abdul Halim Khaddam, that "there are deliberate French provocations" against Syria owing to the latter's opposition of the division of Lebanon.

Discussing the opening of several projects in Jeddah, *Al Medina* noted editorially that anyone watching the successive achievements by the Kingdom in many fields would be struck with awe and admiration for the successes achieved in a short time as a result of persistent care by King Khaled and Crown

Prince Fahd. The paper added that the King Abdul Aziz University conferred the honorary degree on the monarch in recognition and appreciation of his enduring concern for education and great services to Islam and Muslims. The monarch's acceptance of the degree symbolizes his great regard for the university as well as his appreciation of the message that the highest seat of learning carries, the paper added.

In an editorial, *Al Nadwa* said that the celebrations of the last two days in Jeddah are symbolic of the determination of the leadership and the people to race with time for the sake of country's progress and advancement. After opening the new international airport, the King laid the foundation-stone of a number of projects which would constitute a most prominent factor in bringing welfare and prosperity for the people, the paper said. It described the projects as complement of many development projects taken in hand for the country's development under the Kingdom's wise leadership.

Al Bilad observed that the conferment of the honorary degree on the King speaks well of his great role in the service of Islam and Muslims. The degree befitting its recipient who has dedicated himself for the service of Islamic causes. The paper said that modern history would record all achievements as a restoration of the past glory of Islam. The aspirations of the people of this country will be realized through the eminent role of the King in reinforcing the foundations of stability and peace not only in this region but in the world as a whole. *Okaz* also dealt with the same subject, saying that





LANDFORM: This 4-foot high, sphinx-like natural landform was discovered by the Smithsonian's Farouk El-Baz in the Western Desert of Egypt. The Sphinx of ancient Egypt, he believes, may have originated as wind-stable landform, "dressed up" by the Egyptian builders.

New light on Pyramids

By Madeleine Jacobs

WASHINGTON, (SNS) — Dr. Farouk El-Baz, scientist at the Smithsonian Institution, may have solved at least one of the mysteries of the Pyramids of Giza — why they, unlike the other seven wonders of the ancient world, are still standing for all to admire.

The answer, he says, lies in the engineering and scientific acumen of the ancient Egyptians. These clever builders, he believes, constructed the towering monuments in the image of natural landforms that were already resistant to wind-erosion.

"Had the ancients built their monuments in the shape of a cube, a high-rise building, like those of our cities, a pentagon or even a stadium, they would have been erased by the ravages of wind erosion long ago," El-Baz writes in the current issue of *Smithsonian* magazine.

"Instead, they chose the pyramid shape, which evades destruction by leading the wind up slope and funneling its erosive power to the peak where its energy dissipates into the air," El-Baz, a geologist and director of the Center for Earth and Planetary Studies at the Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum in Washington, came to this conclusion after a number of years of exploration in the Egyptian deserts.

In the western desert of Egypt — part of the driest tract of land on earth — El-Baz has seen numerous landforms that are startling in their resemblance to the pyramids in the Nile Valley, startling particularly because these forms have been created not by man but rather by natural geological processes. Moreover, these natural pyramids have been exposed to and withstood the action of the wind for hundreds of thousands of years.

He believes it is not surprising that apparently no one has made the connection between natural and man-made pyramids until now. "An expert looks at nature and thinks immediately how to modify it for the benefit of man, rather than trying to learn a lesson from it," the geologist explains.

"This idea has certainly been cooking in my head for a long time. I looked at some of these structures over and over again before I made the connection. But, it now seems obvious to me that the ancient Egyptians must have studied such natural desert structures

before deciding on the form of their towering monuments."

The first and largest true pyramid, the so-called Great Pyramid, was built by the Pharaoh Khufu (Cheops) about 4,500 years ago. An awesome engineering achievement, its four-sided plan covers 13 acres. At a height of 482 feet, it was one of the largest buildings ever erected by man and, until the Eiffel Tower was constructed in 1889.

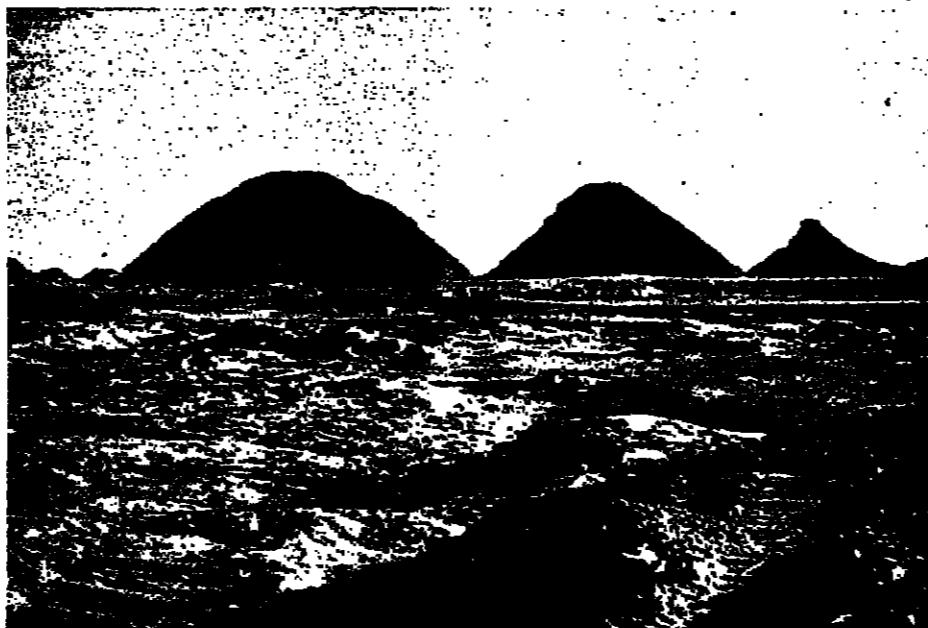
Despite their age, the pyramids are still shrouded in mystery, and many scholars disagree about their original function and how they were actually built. Whatever else they may be, the pyramids are a tribute to the ancients' keen knowledge of their environment and resources.

"The Egyptians of the past appear to have learned more about the desert than their modern counterparts," he writes. "They mastered desert exploration and exploitation of building materials. They combed the eastern desert and the Sinai for precious metals... (they) roamed the western desert terrain and left their mark..."

During these explorations, he believes, they must have seen many natural pyramidal and conical landforms, as El-Baz himself did on several journeys in the late 1970s into the Egyptian deserts. On one such trip, he saw firsthand how nature's pyramids resist the wind.

In March and April, he explains, the wind in Egypt's deserts shifts direction. Normally, winds blow in the general direction of north to south, but during the windy season, the winds blow generally from south to north. This spring wind carries enormous quantities of sand and redistributes it even as it erodes obstacles in its way. A strong gust of wind lifts fine dust from the pebbles and sand grains on the desert surface and hurl it upward toward existing conical and pyramidal hills. The velocity of the dust cloud increases as it approaches the hill, releasing its energy into the air at the apex.

The existence of these natural landforms may also help explain some of the mysteries surrounding the unprecedented magnitude of the pyramids' construction and the manner in which they were built. What if, he ponders, the pyramids were built over existing conical or pyramidal shapes, thereby easing the extent of the construction?



PYRAMIDS: The Pyramids of Giza? Not quite. These monumental look-alikes in the Western Desert of Egypt were created not by man but rather by natural geological processes. Towering 200 feet high, the natural Pyramids are exceptionally resistant to wind erosion, according to Farouk El-Baz. El-Baz believes that the ancient Egyptians constructed their towering structures in the image of such natural landforms, which explains why the Pyramids of Giza have withstood the ravages of wind.

In fact, a search in the library revealed that an Egyptian archaeologist Ahmed Fakhry had written a book in 1961 which described a rocky knoll of unknown size lying underneath the Great Pyramid and a big hill underneath the tomb of Queen Khent-Kawes at Giza. It, thus, seems likely that the ancient Egyptians received an assist from Mother Nature in their monumental construction projects.

In his desert explorations, El-Baz also has uncovered natural, wind-sculpted forms resembling the Sphinx, which dates from 2500 BC. The Sphinx, he believes, may have originated as one aerodynamically stable landform called a yardang, which is a naturally wind-carved hill found in the western desert of Egypt and in many other deserts. A yardang resembles an inverted boat hull with its prow pointing upward and its stern in the lee.

"The ancient architect could have investigated such forms thousands of years ago and decided to dress up in (the Pharaoh's) image the yardang on the east side of the Great Pyramid," El-Baz writes. The monumental

task of sculpting the Sphinx, which stands 40 feet high, would not have been as great as if the ancient Egyptians started with a yardang, already protruding through the plain.

Unfortunately, today the Sphinx is showing signs of old age and its surface is slowly eroding. But, the damage is not due to severe wind, since the Sphinx is an aerodynamically stable structure and allows the wind to pass by with little friction. Rather, experts say, its peeling surface is caused by unusual rise in the water table due to the construction of the Aswan High Dam. Water laden with salts seeps through the porous rock of the Sphinx and evaporates at the surface. The resulting salt crystals expand and push out thin layers of rock which then peel off.

"In our rush to 'develop' the earth, we may neglect to learn valuable lessons from what the ancients had left for us to see, sometimes carved in eternal rock." The Pyramids of Giza, fortunately, do not seem to be suffering the Sphinx's fate. "Today, they are the only ancient wonders still standing," El-Baz says, "and they are here to stay."

Hong Kong draws Chinese like a magnet

By Brian Timms

HONG KONG, (R) — Chinese have tried practically everything but hang gliding in their efforts to cross the border into Hong Kong, rumored to be a consumers' paradise with streets paved with gold. The reality turns out to be quite different, with work virtually impossible to find, little hope of housing, and the constant fear of being caught and deported.

But, whether ignorant of the truth or disregarding it, peasants from the communes are still filtering illegally into this tiny British colony despite recent, tough counter-measures. About 40 a day are caught trying to break into the 56 kms long barbed wire-topped border fence or sneaking round the Southern China by sea.

Half that number are believed to be evading arrest, a rate which, although much lower than in the past few years, is still worrying for officials, fearing the build-up of a lawless underground society. The prospects for illegal immigrants here changed dramatically last October when the authorities stopped giving identity cards and permanent residence to illegal immigrants, enough to reach Hong Kong's urban areas.

This so-called "touch-base" policy was such an attraction that half a million Chinese took advantage of it in recent years and raised Hong Kong's cramped population to around five million. Faced with the massive strain on its resources, particularly in housing, Hong Kong decided to get tough.

Illegal immigrants must now stay in hiding, even if they reach urban areas, because they are no longer given the identity cards which all residents must have to obtain work legally. If they walk the streets or take a bus they run the risk of being checked for identity cards and deportation.

And in addition, Hong Kong's almost totally Chinese origin population is becoming increasingly hostile toward illegals, with policies frequently being tipped off about their presence. A British army officer, gazing at

the border fence topped with floodlights every 30 meters, recently tried to lighten the situation with a remark about hang gliding, a form of flight involving a person being strapped to a huge kite.

But it is fairly accurate because the ingenuity of the Chinese illegal immigrant practically knows no bounds. They swim round the shark-infested coastline clinging to rubber tyres, wade neck deep through mangrove swamps, and try hiding aboard freight trains and trucks using the only cross-border links one road and one railway line.

Police have arrested 298 illegals on trains this year and have found 12 more crashed to death by cargo or lying dead by the side of the track after trying to jump to freedom.

Communist China, seeing a depletion in commune workers, continues to guard its side of the border and relations with Hong Kong are good. But, the tougher control measures have produced a more ruthless type of illegal immigrant, often armed and prepared to use violence to get his hands on the wealth he finds here.

There had been a few armed hold-ups on jewellery stores in the past few months, and police suspect that many of these were carried out by illegal immigrants. The Hong Kong authorities are watching the situation closely but their options for tightening the border control even further appear limited.

Some illegals have obtained forged identity cards by paying \$2,000. To counter the forgeries, new-style identity cards are being designed to replace those already issued to Hong Kong's legal population.

This operation is expected to cost several million Hong Kong dollars, adding to the huge bill already run up in countering illegal immigrants. The new measures have helped quell the influx. Now, there is only daily transfer of deportees across the border bridge instead of the two daily convoys of trucks needed last year.

But, as one British army officer said on the border: "We have sent back 90,000 illegals in the past 18 months so you can reckon there is still that number keen to come in."

Jazz exponent to tour M.E.

By Joanne Nix

USICA Staff Writer

WASHINGTON — Jimmy Owens says "jazz" is a very small word but it represents a lot of sounds. And he ought to know. At 37, this musician is one of America's leading exponents of jazz.

He is also a trumpeter, flugel hornist, a composer, arranger, educator, lecturer and music education consultant. And in the months of May and June, he will be touring North Africa and the Middle East.

Interviewed this week, Owens said: "I often explain to musicians, students and the general public that 'jazz' is a very small word but it represents a lot of sounds. A musician must know how to put the sounds together. He can make people happy, so that they will want to be part of the music even in a very large stadium. Sometimes, the audience may want to get up and dance. Other times they will want to sit quietly and reflect."

According to him, jazz enjoys a great deal of respect in the United States but only among a small group of jazz. He conducts ongoing research projects in jazz history designed to incorporate, analyze and inform the public of shifting styles of American jazz.

When asked how he reaches audiences who do not know jazz music, Owens says, "I look at the types of music those people are used to hearing. My group has a varied repertoire, so we can draw people's attention to our music."

Owens earned a master's degree in education from the University of Massachusetts. He views education as one of the most important attributes of the creative musician. "A knowledge of the music business has enabled me to practice and compose more," he said. "Knowledge about business matters as well as technique has opened up new areas for me to think about — ways of approaching my instrument differently, new types of music to play. But I don't let anything get in the way of my music. Music comes first."

Owens will conduct music sessions for university students and musicians in each of the ten countries he visits during his tour. "We hope to share our areas of expertise with local musicians and they in turn can teach us," he said.

When he is not on the road, Owens conducts seminars for working musicians. Not only does he acquaint them with the jazz tradition but he points out the business aspects of the music profession. "I was very young — about 17 — when I first realized that many of my best names in music were not the ones reaping the financial benefits of their craft," Owens explained. "So I began to look at the business portion of my profession. I built on my observations until I came up with specific points that I present in workshops to aspiring professionals."

Owens has served as a panel member of a U.S. government grant agency, the National Endowment for the Arts, and on the music panel of the New York State Council on the Arts. He was also on the board of directors of the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences and the New York Jazz Repertory Company. In addition, he is a founder of the Collective Black Artists, Inc., an organization whose aim is education and exchange of skills by musicians.

Owens is a native New Yorker. He attended the New York High School of Music. He studied jazz music from noted trumpet player Donated Byrd. By the time he was 16 Owens was playing with the Newport Youth Band.

Since then he has performed on records, some commercial jingles and movie scores and has led workshops in colleges and high schools.

He is equally adept in classical music and spends much of his work week performing with symphonies, ballet, broadway and theater orchestras.

On May 1 Owens leaves for a tour of the Middle East under the auspices of the United States government. Although he has visited Europe often and has performed in Japan, Senegal and Martinique, this will be his first visit to the Middle East and North Africa.

His itinerary: May 1 — Rabat and Casablanca, Morocco; May 7 — Algiers, Algeria; May 18 — Cairo, Egypt; May 24 to June 2 — Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad, Peshawar, Pakistan; June 3 — Beirut, Lebanon; June 7 — Jerusalem.

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On Namibia

U.S. envoy arrives in Maputo for talks

MAPUTO, April 14 (Agencies) — President Ronald Reagan's envoy to Africa, Chester Crocker, arrived in Mozambique Monday on the fifth stop of his 10-nation tour of the continent. Referring to attempts at reaching a settlement on the future of Namibia (Southwest Africa), he told reporters in Maputo that discussion of Namibian constitutional issues "could usefully be done prior to independence."

The United States is canvassing support for a settlement plan that would lead to a constitutional conference being held before elections, like the pattern which preceded Zimbabwe's independence a year ago. Crocker, Reagan's nominee for assistant secretary of state for African affairs, arrived during a low ebb in U.S.-Mozambique relations. Last month Maputo expelled four American diplomats on spy charges and Washington retaliated by cutting off sales and gifts of food to Mozambique. Since then President Samora Machel of Mozambique has strongly criticized the Reagan administration in his speeches.

Portuguese Radio said that Crocker was offering the countries he visited a total of \$832 million in U.S. aid. This would be distributed in accordance with each country's flexibility in accepting Washington's policy toward the problem of Namibia, the radio said.

Marxist Mozambique is a staunch supporter of the Southwest African People's Organization, which is fighting Namibia's South African administration for the independence of the territory under majority rule. According to the Mozambique news agency AIM, Crocker said it was partly for his Mozambican hosts to decide whether bilateral relations

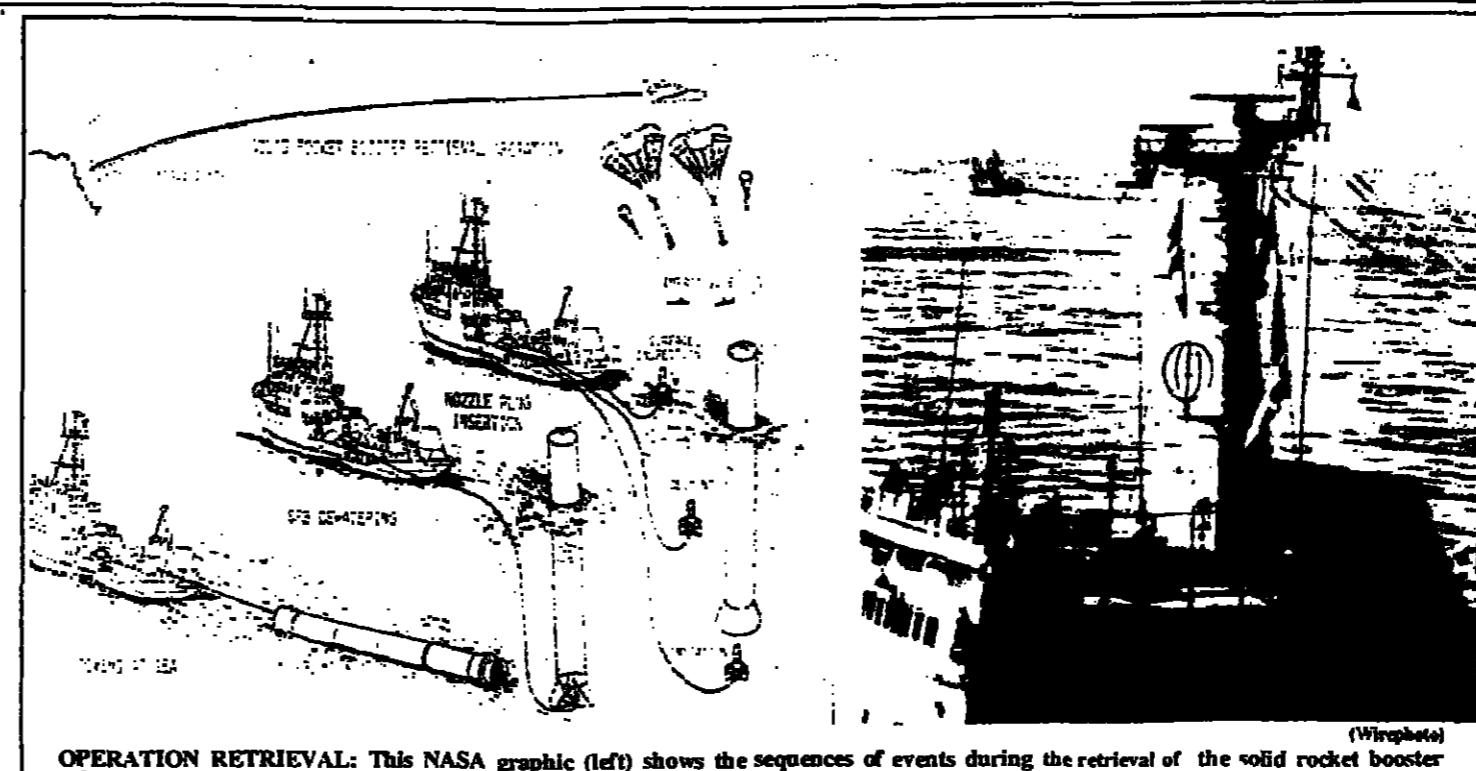
would form a major part of his talks in Maputo.

The U.S. envoy, who has already visited Kenya, Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe, said there would be no public statements on the results of his tour until the consultations were completed. Crocker told AIM that the United States had never said it intended to aid dissidents in Angola, which like Mozambique is a former Portuguese colony under Marxist government.

"We are going to Luanda and that should indicate it is our preference to see a negotiated solution to the problems of the region," he said. Angola, Namibia's northern neighbor, is the main supporter of SWAPO.

With the new U.S. administration committed to protecting American interests around the world as a major thrust of its foreign policy, Crocker's task is to formulate an approach to this turbulent continent that will balance U.S. concerns in black Africa on the one hand and white-ruled South Africa on the other.

Meanwhile, it was reported that South African intelligence officers recently brought to Washington secret reports of 250 Soviet fighter planes manned by East Europeans in Angola, Mozambique and Zambia, capable of halting vital oil shipments to the West. Patrick J. Buchanan, who used to be a speech writer for President Richard Nixon, wrote in last week's issue of the Washington *Inquirer*, a weekly that began publication early this year, that the planes and 700 tanks are operated by East German, Czechoslovak and Hungarian pilots, advisers and technicians whose numbers rose to 3,000 from 500 during the presidency of Jimmy Carter.



OPERATION RETRIEVAL: This NASA graphic (left) shows the sequences of events during the retrieval of the solid rocket booster minutes after the successful launching of the U.S. space shuttle *Columbia* from the Kennedy Space Center Sunday. The picture on the right shows the Soviet trawler *Ekwator*, which was escorted out of the recovery area by a U.S. Coast Guard cutter, watching a NASA ship towing the recovered shuttle boosters back to Cape Canaveral. The trawler shadowed the recovery of the boosters after they parachuted into the ocean.

Sihanouk may lead anti-Vietnam movement

CAIRO, April 14 (AP) — The ruling regime of Democratic Kampuchea has cleared most of its differences with self-exiled Prince Norodom Sihanouk and hopes he will soon lead a united resistance movement against the invading Vietnamese, Leng Sary, Kampuchea's deputy premier in charge of foreign affairs, told a press conference here Monday ending a three-day official visit to Egypt.

Sihanouk has not announced his conditions in return for leading the resistance fronts, but Sary said agreement has been reached with him on four points, and they have been assured of his acceptance of fifth controversial

one. He listed these as: changing the name of the country from Democratic Kampuchea to Kampuchea, changing the flag and the national anthem, the prince's right to form his own armed forces, and the establishment of a parliamentary system after the withdrawal of the Vietnamese troops.

"We have reached agreement on these points," Sary said. But he declined to elaborate. He said the fifth condition by Sihanouk was disarming all resistance movements after Vietnamese withdrawal. "Our regime believes this is a decision to be made by the future elected government," Sary said. "We do not

have the prince's decision on this point, but through diplomatic channels we have been assured of his acceptance." Sary said the agreements were reached during a meeting March 10 with the prince in his current residence in Pyongyang, North Korea.

Sary said he expected another meeting with the prince soon, but did not specify a date. He said the ruling National Patriotic Union of Kampuchea is seeking a merger of all resistance movements. "We have no conditions. We are ready to discuss with anyone."

Indian Sikhs demand state

NEW DELHI, April 14 (AP) — A breakaway political group in India's Punjab state has demanded an independent nation for the country's 12 million Sikhs, claiming that sect members were being treated like "second-class citizens" in the country, the United News of India (UNI) reported.

A "world Sikh convention" organized by the Akali Dal faction led by Jagdev Singh Talwandi at the northern city of Chandigarh adopted a resolution seeking associate membership of the United Nations for the new nation, to be known as "Desh Punjab," UNI said Monday. An autonomous state, with foreign and defense policies guided by India, was necessary for "the honorable survival of the Sikhs ... and preservation of their separate identity," the resolution said.

Red lights brighten American night sky

WASHINGTON, April 14 (AP) — Some residents from California to Tennessee and from South Dakota to Louisiana watched in awe as red lights stretched across the weekend night sky, and government scientists said Monday the phenomenon was caused by a magnetic storm that was touched off by a solar flare.

A staff meteorologist at McChord Air Force base near Tacoma, Washington, said the glow likely was an optical illusion created by the sun reflecting off cosmic dust. A resident of Great Falls, Montana, who called them "just awe-inspiring."

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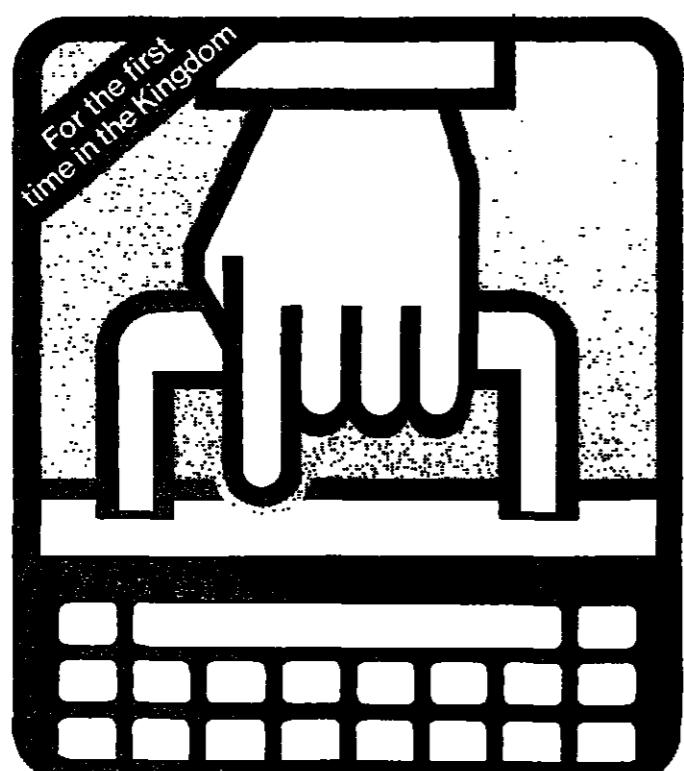
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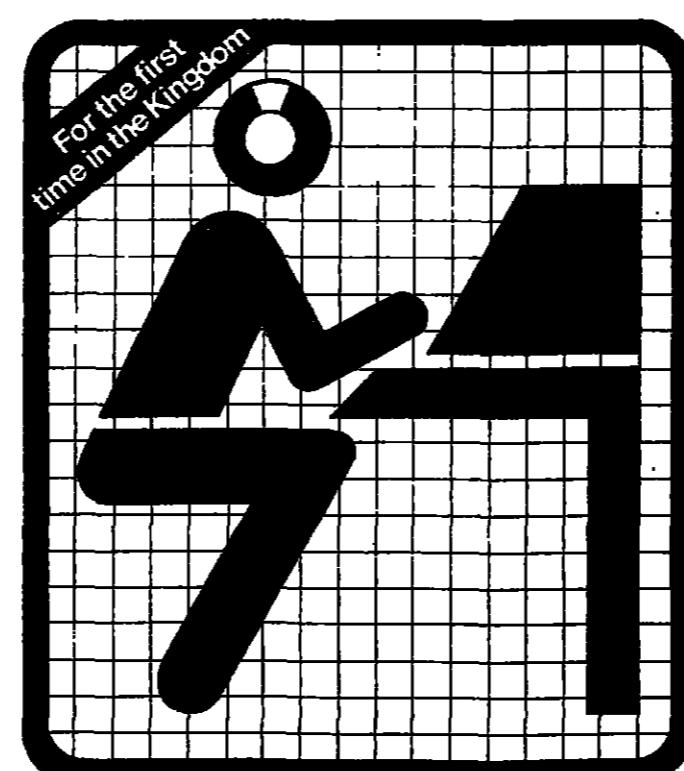
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Quebec separatists win poll



Quebec Premier René Levesque

MONTREAL, Canada, April 14 (AP) — René Levesque's French separatists all in charge in Quebec province Tuesday after a convincing election victory that gave their dream of eventual independence from Canada. Levesque's Parti Québécois government won 80 seats in the 122-member provincial legislature, to 42 for the Union Libre Party, according to unofficial returns from Monday's voting.

About 70 percent of the vote counted, the center PQ had 1,215,523 votes, or 47 percent, and the middle-of-the-road Liberal Party, 1,147,160, or 46 percent. In the previous legislature, which had 110 seats, the PQ had 34, and the rest were minor-party legislators or independent

Quebec, who lost a province-wide referendum on the independence issue last year, turned down the separatist rhetoric in the long campaign. But the "independence" exploded at a PQ victory Monday night.

"We will make Quebec a country" PQ Minister Camille Laurin told the cheering crowd of some 7,000 packed into a local hockey arena. The mostly young citizens waved blue-white fleur-de-lis flags and chanted, "Le Québec Aux Écossais" (Quebec for Quebecers).

The party, which first took power here 4 1/2 years ago, has pledged not to bother referendum on the separation during its new mandate — that is, until after the next, three or four years

Don Johnston. He said the election may scare outside investors away from Quebec, as did the 1976 PQ victory.

The leader of the Quebec Liberals, former newspaper editor Claude Ryan, called on Quebecers during the campaign to throw out the PQ government in order to "finish the job" they began in last May's referendum, when they voted 60 percent-to-40 against the separatists' request for authorization to negotiate "sovereignty-association" with the rest of English-speaking Canada.

The PQ plan calls for political sovereignty for Quebec, but with continued close economic association with Canada. The separatist party maintains that only such independence can end generations of economic domination by English Canada and preserve the French language and culture in this province, where four-fifths of the 6.3 million people speak French as their primary language.

But many Quebec voters apparently accepted Levesque's assurance that separation would be put "on ice" for a while, and turned their attention to other issues.

The premier, whose image of warmth and sincerity contrasted sharply with the gaunt Ryan's pedantic style, told voters he needed another term to solidify his government's accomplishments, which included the nationalization of part of the automobile-insurance industry and the pending nationalization of an American-owned asbestos-mining firm, the strengthening of the state-owned Hydro-Québec Utility, and other big government programs denounced by the Liberal chief as wasteful "socialization."

Diabetes mystery

U.S. doctors explain insulin response

ATLANTA, Georgia, April 14 (AP) — Researchers at the University of Colorado proposed a new explanation for one of the mysteries of diabetes: Why some sufferers of the disease don't respond to the insulin bodies manufacture.

A discovery will help clarify the nature of the key metabolic defect that afflicts both diabetics and people who are grossly overweight, said Dr. Jerry Olefsky, the head of the research group.

"This may point to new approaches to 'cure' for both conditions," he said in an interview Monday night. But so far, investigators haven't developed a therapy to treat the metabolic defect. Insulin is the hormone that controls the level of sugar in the blood. Diabetics result when blood sugar levels persistently too high.

Diabetics have simply lost the capacity to make insulin. They require daily insulin doses to stay alive. But the vast majority of the estimated 10 million American diabetics — some 80 percent — fall into a second category of patients who may manufacture enough insulin but whose bodies have lost the ability to respond to it. They are usually treated by diet.

It was this latter group — once called "adult-onset" diabetics but now called type II diabetics — that were studied at Colorado, Olefsky said. He presented the research Monday to the annual meeting of the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology. More than 10,000 scientists are attending the meeting, which ends Friday.

Olefsky, Orville Kolterman, John Scarnetti and Theodore Ciaraldi of the School of Medicine in Denver set out to find the metabolic defect that underlies this lack of response to insulin, which is found both in some diabetics and in very fat people.

Most scientists believed the defect lay in the surface "receptors" for insulin found on most cells of the body. These receptors latch on to the insulin molecule and drag it into the cell, setting off a chemical chain reaction that leads to the cell removing sugar from the blood.

It's well known that constant exposure to high levels of insulin decreases the number of insulin receptors, Olefsky said. The receptors literally are used up faster than they can be replaced.

Since obese people and type II diabetics commonly have high insulin levels, he said, this seemed a likely explanation for the lack of response to insulin. Very fat people have high insulin levels in part because they eat more and have more sugar to handle.

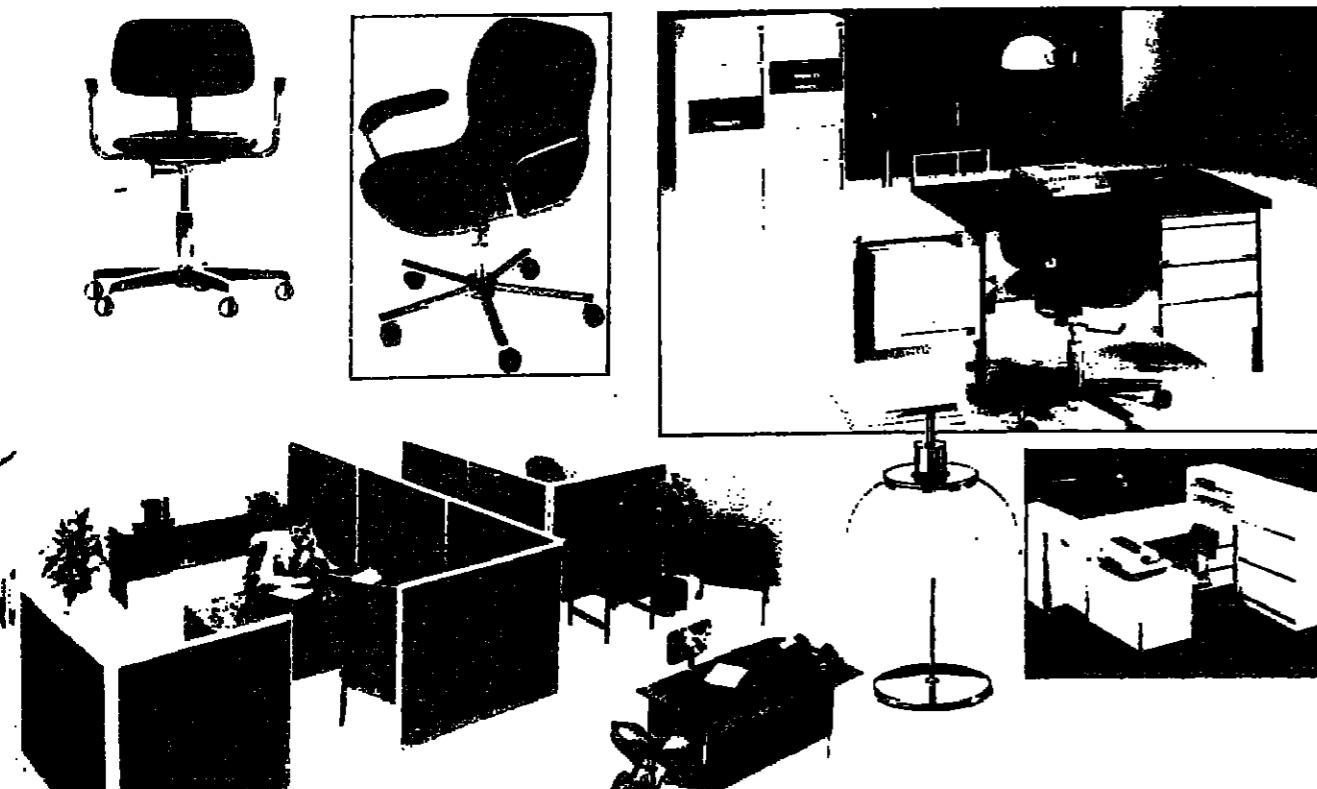
Silencing with alcohol

CAGNES-SUR-MER, Southern France, April 14 (AFP) — Colette Bruggeman, 46, who quarreled frequently with her 46-year-old husband Gérard, decided to silence him once and for all with a bottle of alcohol. She waited until he was watching television, Sunday night and then poured the alcohol over his face and head and set it alight. Bruggeman is critically ill in hospital.

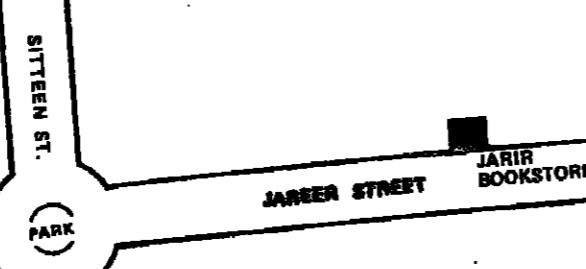
Ex-hostages honored

WASHINGTON, April 14 (AP) — U.S. Secretary of State Alexander M. Haig Jr. presented the State Department award for valor to the former American hostages in Iran Monday, praising them for perseverance under "exceptionally dangerous circumstances."

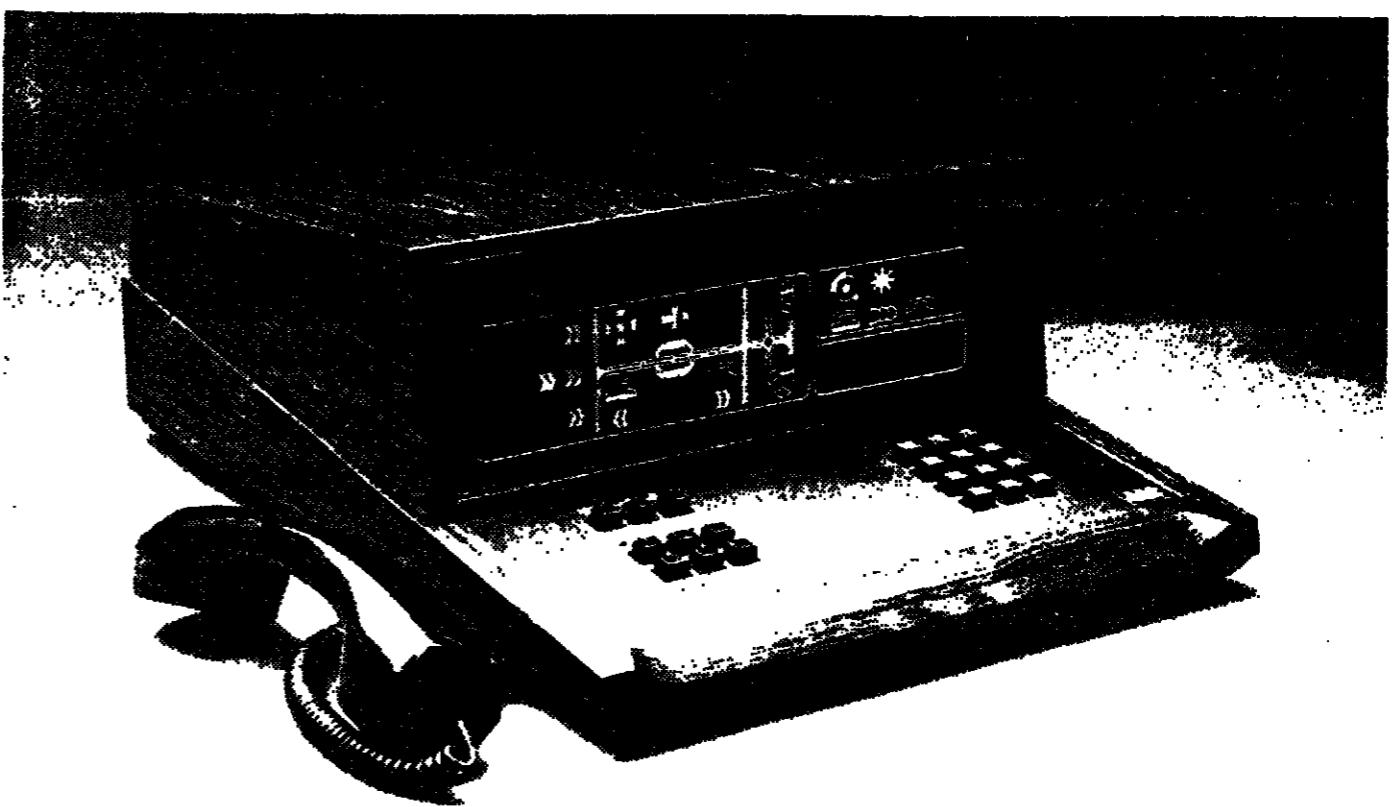
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Compromise denied

3-year tax cut plan to stay, says Reagan

WASHINGTON, April 14 (R) — President Ronald Reagan has said he remained fully committed to his proposed three-year tax cut and believed the American people did not want it to be watered down.

The White House spokesman said Monday Reagan made his comment during a meeting with aides as he continued his recovery from a bullet wound inflicted in an assassination attempt two weeks ago.

Spokesman Larry Speakes said the president had read reports about a prominent Democratic Congressman's comment Sunday that the administration might accept a compromise and agree to a one-year tax cut.

Speakes said Reagan told his aides he had authorized no one to offer a compromise on his economic recovery program. He quoted the president as saying: "I and my key advisers are fully committed to the program... I am convinced the American people strongly

Study reveals

Bonn faces grim days ahead

BONN, April 14 (AFP) — West Germany, afflicted by low profit margins and rising labor costs, will not emerge from its current recession — the longest in its history — before the end of the year, five major economic institutes have said in a joint report.

They said the country's gross national product will decline by 1.5 per cent this year, with the greatest drop in economic activity occurring during the first half of the year.

While its deepest point is already passed,

Japan dethrones U.S. in car output

STUTTGART, April 14 (AFP) — Japan hoisted itself to the pinnacle of world motor production last year, displacing the United States, statistics published by a German firm have confirmed here.

The figures showed that Japanese production was up by 15.4 per cent, compared with that of 1979. The U.S. output, on the other hand, declined.

German and French manufacturers took third and fourth places respectively, with 3,500,000 units (down 13.1 per cent) and 2,900,000 (down 9 per cent). Japanese manufacturers are forced to export because of their limited domestic market. There were only 196 private cars per 1,000 inhabitants in Japan, compared with 533 in the United States and 369 in West Germany (third in this respect). Canada ranks second.

support my program and do not want it watered down."

The president has proposed a 10 per cent tax reduction in personal income taxes during each of the next three years. Speakes said 78,291 messages had been received at the White House in support of the Reagan economic program, which includes sweeping budget cuts as well as the proposed tax reductions.

Only 666 other messages opposed it, he added. The president discussed the tax cuts during his first working day following discharge from hospital last Saturday after making a satisfactory progress from surgery for removal of the bullet in his left lung.

Reagan carried out a light schedule in his private quarters, but held a number of meetings, including separate talks with Secretary of State Alexander Haig and Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger following their return from overseas trips.

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Grain output predicted to hit record

WASHINGTON, April 14 (R) — World grain production in 1981 may exceed the record set just three years ago, according to the U.S. Agriculture Department's latest predictions.

A department report cited favorable progress of the winter grain crops, good spring planting conditions and more land under cultivation in many important grain exporting countries. The previous world production record for wheat, feedgrains and rice was 1.5 billion tons in the 1978-79 crop season.

"Barring poor weather in the major producing countries, production will exceed utilization and result in some recovery in world stocks, particularly for wheat," the report said. World grain stocks were reduced to their lowest level in five years because of poor crops in 1980 in the United States, the Soviet Union, Australia and other key growing countries.

Winter grain crops progressed well in China, the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe, despite some flooding in parts in Yugoslavia, Romania and Hungary, the report said.

It said farmers in Canada's prairie provinces were expected to increase the area sown to grain by nine per cent and said good weather and increased plantings in France would result in another large grain harvest in the European Economic Community this year.

But it said, "severe drought has been affecting the Iberian peninsula, northern Italy and Morocco for the past several months." Although "generous rainfall" occurred in Spain, northern Italy and Portugal in the last week of March, "the situation remains serious, and grain import requirements for these countries are expected to increase substantially" from the levels of last year, it said.

Russia denies deal with South Africa

LONDON, April 14 (R) — The Soviet news agency Tass has said that an allegation in a British television program that the Soviet Union and South Africa had signed a secret deal to control the world market in diamonds, gold and platinum was false.

The charge was made by the British Broadcasting Corporation program "Panorama" last week. Tass said it was "quite simply a fabrication... in fact, these attempts to ascribe to the USSR mythical trade contacts with South Africa have not and cannot have any grounds." Panorama said the purpose of the alleged arrangement was to keep prices high.

Meanwhile, South Africa reaffirmed its importance as a supplier of minerals to the West Tuesday by releasing statistics showing the value of the country's mineral exports rose by 53.5 per cent in 1980 to 14,993 million rand (about \$20 billion).

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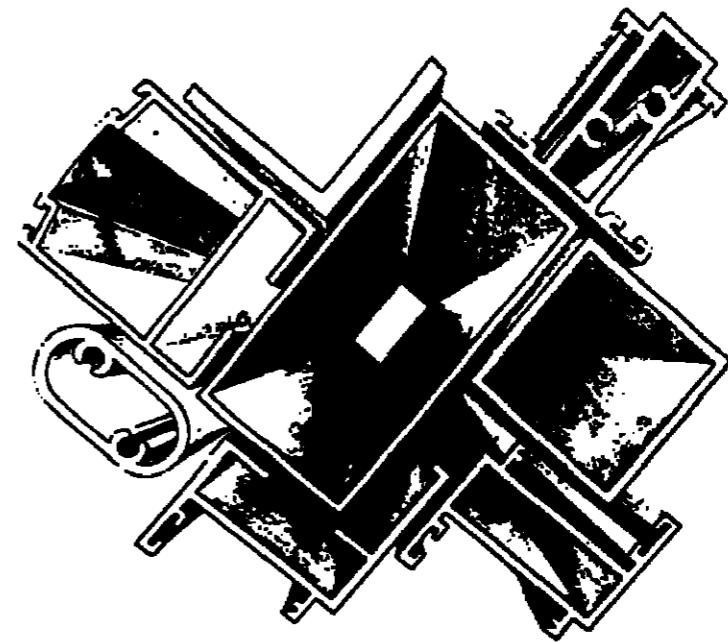
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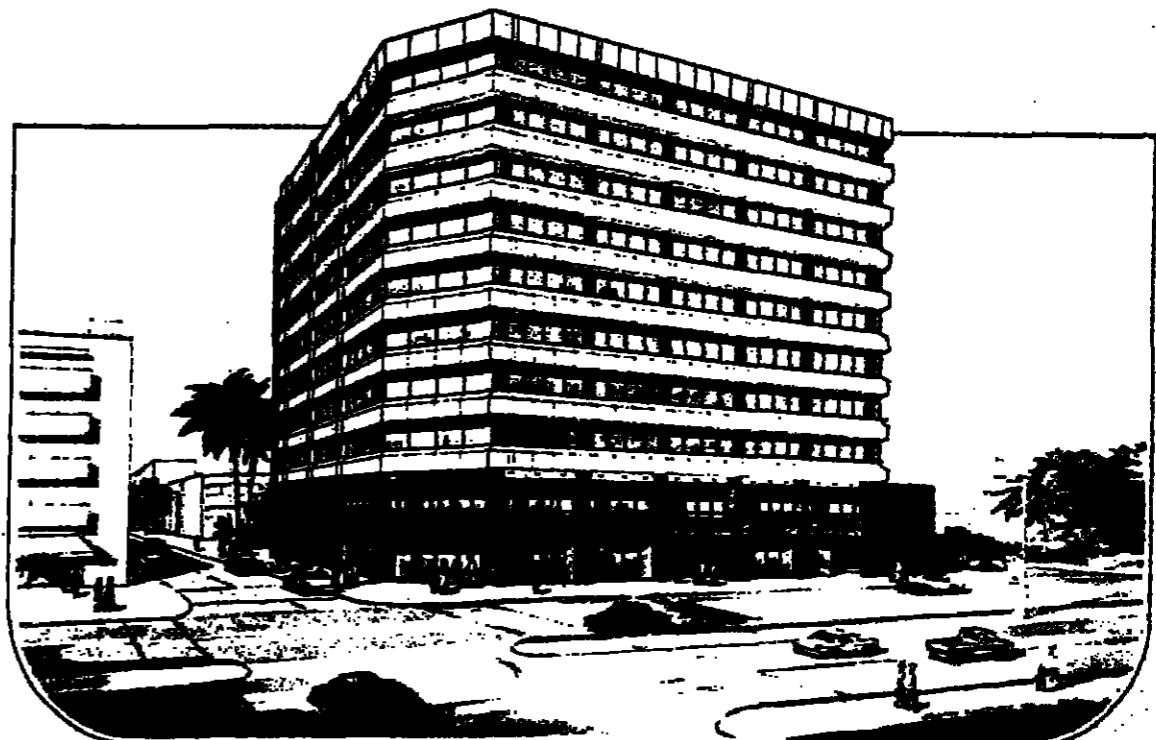
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Alitalia flights disrupted

ROME, April 14 (R) — Italy's national Alitalia cut its regular flights by half day when pilots began a seven-day strike for a 100 per cent pay rise. ANPAC union, grouping most of Alitalia's 1,800 pilots, called the strike to press demands for a new labor contract and a doubling of salaries and benefits.

1,350 of the pilots, whose action threatens to disrupt Easter holiday plans for thousands of travelers, were ordered to report for government under a 1931 public safety law.

ANPAC said it would fight the legal steps by the government.

The pilots currently earn between 99 million and 36 million lire (\$19,000 and 36,000 a month).

They claim their incomes are less than what pilots earn in other West European countries.

A federation which groups all the air traffic autonomous unions was meeting later today to decide whether to take action in support of the pilots, union sources said.

The federation said later it had decided to

not effect a program of staggered proportioning with a strike until midnight Tuesday night by flight engineers.

Individual unions would decide on strikes during the week, involving ground staff, assistant traffic controllers and airport workers. An Alitalia spokesman said it was too soon to estimate the effect of the flight engineers' strike, but that the red service of flights was so far operating daily.

Portugal, meanwhile, public services seriously disrupted Tuesday by the start three-day strike on pay called by the two unions, the Communist CGTP and the Social-Democratic UGT.

'Big five' talks

U.S. move to cut aid assailed

TOKYO, April 14 (R) — President Ronald Reagan's decision to reduce aid to international institutions helping developing countries was criticized at a weekend meeting of the 'big five' industrial powers. Japanese Finance Minister Michio Watanabe said Tuesday.

He told reporters the criticism was voiced when finance ministers of Japan, West Germany, France and Britain held secret talks with the United States in London but did not elaborate.

The Reagan administration has urged Congress to pass legislation authorizing the funding of multinational banks such as the World Bank and its soft-loan affiliate, the International Development Association (IDA). But the administration is seeking

E. Berlin ready to boost ties with West

EAST BERLIN, April 14 (R) — East German Foreign Minister Oskar Fischer has said East Germany is ready to expand political and economic links with all Western states despite current East-West tensions.

In a speech to the East German Communist Party's 10th congress, East Berlin Monday, Fischer said his government could never accept the idea that peaceful coexistence was "a fair weather policy." "It must and can prove itself in tense and indeed in dangerous times," he said.

East Germany was against confrontation and considered it vital that Eastern and Western states keep alive their bilateral ties in all fields, including political dialogue and economic links.

It was, therefore, ready to conclude deeper agreements with all Western states to deepen its relations with them.

The foreign minister avoided the fierce rhetorical attacks on the West that have come from other senior East German officials at the congress. Western diplomats said his speech may have been aimed at countering the possible impression that East Berlin was returning to a cold war attitude on East-West relations.

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Renault to buy 50% Dodge stocks

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The object was "to meet international competition in better circumstances," Peugeot said. RVI, whose annual turnover was some \$2.2 billion, would supervise the Dodge industrial and commercial activities in Europe representing an annual turnover of some \$400 million.

The two partners intended to reduce production costs "by volume effect" resulting from the adding together of 12,000 Dodge vehicles and 54,000 RVI trucks, buses and coaches per annum.

The meeting will review the fund's annual financial report for 1980 and approve projects for the future, the announcement added.

Arab ministers to hold talks in Kuwait

KUWAIT, April 14 (AP) — A total of 21 Arab finance and economy ministers will meet in Kuwait April 21 in their capacity as governors of the Kuwait-based Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development (AFESD), a fund announcement said Tuesday.

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End Concorde operations, says U.K. panel

LONDON, April 14 (AFP) — It would be cheaper to bring supersonic Concorde flights to an end than to keep the Anglo-French program going, the House of Commons Industry and Trade Committee said in a report Tuesday.

It urged that the cost to the taxpayer of continuing Concorde operations be reduced, or alternatively that the program be brought to an end "at the earliest possible date and certainly not later than 1985."

The report said the plane had cost £900 million since the project started in 1962. Further expenditure of £133 million was planned in the coming five years.

Britain had paid more into the program than France had, and the imbalance would worsen in years to come, the committee said. It urged that cost be met on a 50-50 basis.

The supersonic plane is operated by British Airways and Air France. Executives from British Airways told the committee they had increased their business on the north Atlantic route. But the committee cast "serious doubts" on the figures the airline put forward.

Iraq gives \$372m contract to Japan

TOKYO, April 14 (AP) — A leading Japanese trading firm, Marubeni Corporation, said Tuesday it has signed a 80 billion yen (\$372 million) contract to build seven general hospitals in Iraq, which is at present at war with Iran.

"We have decided to receive the order because we believe the war will not affect the construction," Marubeni officials said.

Under the contract with the Iraqi Ministry of Housing and Construction, Taisei Corp. and Fujita Corp., both of Japan, will build a 400-bed hospital in each of Iraq's seven major cities — Dohuk, Mosul, Kirkuk, Ramadi, Diwaniya, Kut and Samawa — by November.

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Astros crash to fourth defeat

Al Woods sparkles in Toronto's win

NEW YORK, April 14 (AP) — Al Woods keyed Toronto's three-run fourth inning with a two-run single, and the Blue Jays kept their perfect record in home openers intact Monday by defeating the New York Yankees 5-1. The Blue Jays have not lost a home opener in their five-year history.

Jim Clancy survived a shaky first inning to

base-loaded pinch single that scored two unearned runs and triggered a four-run ninth inning that lifted the Baltimore Orioles to a 5-1 victory over the Boston Red Sox. After being held to seven hits and one unearned by Boston rookie Steve Crawford, the Orioles loaded the bases in the ninth on Ken Singleton's double, a throwing error by shortstop Glenn Hoffman and pinch hitter Gary Roenick's infield hit.

The Detroit-Kansas City game was rained out.

In the National League Steve Carlton, the 1980 Cy Young award winner, earned his first victory of the new season as the Philadelphia Phillies took their home opener 5-1 over the Pittsburgh Pirates before a crowd of 60,404. Carlton gave up nine hits, drove in a run and set up another with a single. He struck out five and walked one.

Atlanta rookie Rufino Linares, batting .067 with only a bunt single in 15 previous at-bats, stroked a two-out run-scoring single off Houston relief ace Joe Sambito in the top of the 10th inning to give the Braves a 2-1 victory and hand the defending National League champion Astros their fourth straight loss.

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MOSCOW, April 14 (AP) — World champion Anatoly Karpov of the Soviet Union had his match against Eugenio Torre of the Philippines adjourned in the seventh round of the International Chess Tournament here Monday, Soviet news agency Tass reported.

Results: Ulf Andersson (Sweden) drew Yuri Balashov (USSR), Vassili Smyslov (USSR) drew Garry Kasparov (USSR). Lajos Portisch (Hungary) — Alexander Belavskiy (USSR) and Eugenio Torre (Philippines) — Anatoly Karpov (USSR) — matches adjourned.

AL WOODS...keys a three-run fourth inning

gain the victory, retiring 14 consecutive batters in one stretch. He limited the Yankees to four hits over 71-3 innings before being relieved by Roy Lee Jackson.

The Blue Jays, held to one single over the first three innings, finally got to Tommy John in the fourth. With one out, Lloyd Moseby singled and one out later John Mayberry walked. Otto Velez then doubled to left and Woods followed with his two-run single. Toronto added two runs in the seventh on Alfrédo Griffin's bloop triple.

In other American League action, Jose Morales grounded a tiebreaking two-out,



JIM CLANCY...survives shaky start

Tony Armas hit a tape-measure two-run homer off California rookie Luis Sanchez in the eighth inning to rally the unbeaten Oakland A's to a 3-2 victory, spoiling the Angels' home opener.

In late NL games, Johnny Bench powered a three-run homer and Dan Driessens and Ray Knight hit also solo shots as the Cincinnati Reds trounced the San Diego Padres 7-1 and pinch hitter Jay Johnstone singled home the tie-breaking run for Los Angeles in a three-run fourth-inning rally that gave the unbeaten Dodgers a 4-3 victory over the San Francisco Giants.

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Leading 9-6 overnight, Mountjoy took four of the first five frames to beat the Australian who eliminated him from last year's event.

Canadian Bill Werbeniuk also reached the quarter-finals by completing a comfortable 13-5 win over South African champion Perri Mans.

Werbeniuk, 11-5 ahead overnight, took the two frames he needed with totals of 34, 36 and 43. The Canadian now faces the winner of the match between former champions John Spencer and Ray Reardon of Britain.

Canadian Kirk Stevens suffered a narrow

Botham optimistic

England faces uphill task in final Test

KINGSTON, Jamaica, April 14 (AP) — England cricket captain Ian Botham said Monday that he can manage to draw the fifth and final Test match against the West Indies — despite a first innings deficit 157 runs.

The West Indies were all out for 442 in reply to England's 285 just before the close of the third day Monday. With two days remaining after Monday's rest, the odds are heavily in favor of the West Indies completing the series with a 3-0 advantage.

Botham said England would need to bat at least a day and a half to ensure safety. He said they batted better in each Test match and with the West Indies fast bowlers now tiring after the work they have to do in the series, he expected they would hold out.

"In addition, the pitch is still a good one," Botham said.

England have been outplayed in all four Tests so far, losing the first by an innings and 79 runs and the third by 198 runs. They held out for a draw in the fourth. The second, scheduled for Guyana, was cancelled after the government refused permission for England fast bowler Robin Jackson to play because of his contacts with South Africa where he had played and coached for the past 11 seasons.

West Indies captain Clive Lloyd said there

was enough time for his fast bowlers to complete his team's third victory in the series. "We only have to hope that the rain does not wash out any of the days left as it did in the last Test in Antigua," he said.

England batsmen Geoff Boycott and Robin Butcher, neither of whom fielded on Sunday will both be fit enough to bat in England's second innings, Botham said. Boycott is recovering from a sore throat and Butcher is having treatment on a strained groin muscle.

West Indies captain Clive Lloyd, who held

and give his team its big lead with a final of 95, said he thought his team had an excellent chance of winning the match.

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Asiansiven early jolt

YUGOSLAVIA, April 14 (R) — hopes of supremacy were given an oil by the Europeans on the opening of the World Table Tennis Team Championships Tuesday.

men's Swatling Cup, North Korea applied 5-1 by Poland in a first round B match, and South Korea were beaten by England in Group 'A'.

A hope was restored when Japan thumped 5-0 in Group 'A' while men's champions Hungary began with a convincing 5-2 victory against Italy.

Yong Ho gained North Korea's only when he beat Stefan Dryszel 8-21, 22-20 to level the match against Poland. But Leszek Kucharski won both sets and wins for Andrzej Grubba and in his second singles swept Poland to

Lee Hee kept South Korea in contention with both his singles to level the 2-2 against England, but Desmond won three games in convincing style another European victory.

England No. 1 did not drop a game, the best South Korea could

European champion John Hilton a day, cancelled out earlier defeats at of South Korean No. 1 Park Lee ensure a winning start for England.

set wins in both singles for Seiji

world champion, and Hiroroyuki Abe

the basis of Japan's easy win over

all playoffs soon

By a Staff Writer

JAH, April 14 — The undefeated Braves topped this year's local T-Ball standings, with only tiebreaker left before playoffs begin April 30.

ing the Braves in the eight-team were the Pirates, with a 6-1 mark,

tie coming in their clash with the

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RECORD SPLASH: Ambrose 'Rowdy' Gaines of Auburn expresses his joy after setting a new world record timing of 49.36 for the 100 meters freestyle at Austin, Texas recently

Ipswich determined to beat Aston Villa

BIRMINGHAM, England, April 14 (AP) —

Aston Villa needs to defeat Ipswich Town Tuesday night to make virtually certain of winning the English First Division Soccer Championship for the first time in 70 years, while Ipswich must win to retain a chance of clinching the championship trophy it appeared to have all wrapped up a few weeks ago.

Victory would give Aston Villa a five point lead in the standings. If Ipswich wins it would close the gap to one point. Ipswich also has

game in hand. Kevin Beattie is ruled out by a broken arm.

Meanwhile, president of the International

Football Federation (FIFA), has denied allowing the North American Soccer League (NASL) to reinstate its variations on the laws of the game, FIFA announced Monday.

Havelange, who is currently in Monaco, denied reports from New York that he had personally authorised NASL to revert to its local rules on offside and substitutions.

In a statement, FIFA said Havelange had not been in contact with NASL but with the U.S. Soccer Federation, which is affiliated to FIFA.

The U.S. Federation may submit, if it wishes,

to a report on the subject to the FIFA executive committee in Madrid on May 7. "In the meantime the decisions made by FIFA (at its executive committee meeting last December) in Rome still stand."

In New York last week, NASL commissioner Phil Woosnam said Havelange had given permission for the League to revert to using up to three substitutes per game and to its 35-yard "offside line."

Just before the NASL season opened two weeks ago, Woosnam ordered teams to drop the rule changes, in accordance with the FIFA ruling. He reversed this decision on the basis of a letter he said Havelange had written to the U.S. Soccer Federation last week.

BRIEFS

LONDON, (AP) — Masood Ahmed of Pakistan and Rhonda Thorne of Australia won the third place play-off in the £30,000 Audi World Cup Squash Tournament at Woking Monday night defeating Jonah Barrington of Ireland and Sue Cogswell of Great Britain. 8-0. Barrington slumped badly against Ahmed going down 9-2, 9-4, 9-7 while Sue Cogswell completed a dismal season with a 9-7, 9-6, 9-5 defeat at the hands of Rhonda Thorne.

STOCKHOLM, (AP) — Canada chalked up their second straight win in the World Ice Hockey Championships defeating the Netherlands 8-1 in a Pool "B" match Monday. The period scores were 2-0, 2-0, 4-1.

BUENOS AIRES, (AP) — Nelson Piaget's overwhelming win in Sunday's Argentine Grand Prix has brought a flood of protests from Formula One car constructors.

The 28-year-old Brazilian's victory has

renewed his rivals' indignation about his

Brabham T.49 with its controversial hydraulic suspension.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ohio, (AP) — The

entry list for the May 24 Indianapolis 500

reached a record 104 cars Monday with six

more entries received by the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. Additional entries postmarked before last Friday's deadline will still be accepted. Four of the latest entries, including two cars for driver Jerry Karl will be powered by stock-block Chevrolet engines. They were entered by William Comp

SION, Switzerland, (R) — Algeria beat Scotland 80-79 in a European Basketball Group 'C' championship Monday night. In their opening match, Portugal beat Iceland 94-91 in extra time. At full time the score was 84-84.

LE TOUQUET, North-East France, (AP) — Falk Boden, of East Germany used the speed that has brought him three world titles, and a silver medal in last year's Olympic team time trial, to win the Prologue Time Trial that opened the Scapin International Cycle Race here Monday.

LOS ANGELES, California, (AP) — Seventh-seeded Terry Moor topped unseeded Butch Walts 6-1, 7-5 to highlight first round play Monday in the \$75,000 Jack Kramer Open at the Los Angeles Tennis Club.

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Our Representative:

GEORGE W. KOTSCHEDOFF

will be at the following locations:

April 12-13-14-15 Sheraton Hotel - Jeddah

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